## ABSTRACT

reticle manipulating device with 1 an at 2 substantially closed housing for maintaining clean-room 3 conditions inside the housing, an input/output station 4 for introducing and discharging reticles in and out of 5 the housing, and at least one functional unit arranged in 6 the housing for impressing a predetermined function on 7 the reticles. The device has a manipulating device also 8 arranged inside the housing, for manipulating 9 reticles in the housing.